

Practitioner's Docket No. 03768/09633

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Amy B. Reed, Karen H. Bean

Application No.: 09/976,411

Filed: 10/12/2001

For: MEDICAL PACKAGING SUBSTRATE

Group No.: 1771

Examiner: Hai Vo

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NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE PRIMARY EXAMINER  
TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES  
(37 C.F.R. § 1.191)

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board from the decision of the Primary Examiner, mailed September 24, 2003, finally rejecting claims 1-13 and 15-20.

1. STATUS OF APPLICANT

This application is on behalf of other than a small entity.

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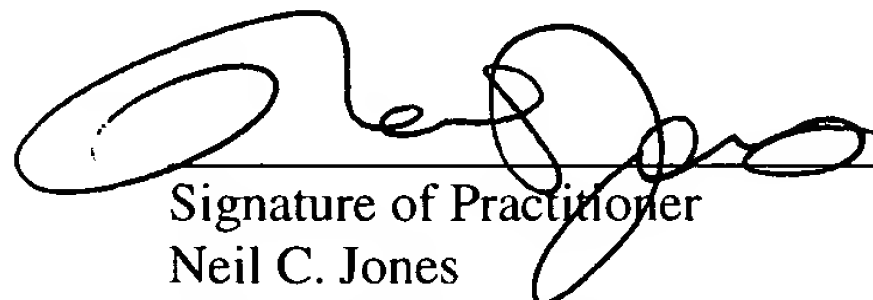
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